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A Commendable Reversal

W HEN the Administrative Board, at Red Cross ball in the First Regiment Armory-The Times-Dispatch expressed the opinion opportunity for that sober second thought the moralists so commend, would suffer a change of heart.

It is highly gratifying to have observed the verification of both of these propheciesthe first immediately and the second after only such reasonable indulgence in by-play and folderol as permitted the board, without loss of what the Chinese call "race," to reverse its earlier action.

Now that permission has been granted, it is for Richmond to give every assistance to the sponsors of the enterprise in making the ball a success. War-stricken Europe's need is very great and very pressing, and the Red Cross is responding with every particle of its resources and its strength. To help such a cause is a privilege and an opportunity that Richmond should not, and will not,

Inventors, Attention!

SUNDAY newspapers have to be stuffed by hand. That is-the various parts of the big weekly edition of a daily are put together by human labor. Some of these days there will be an automatic stuffer, attached to the press, which will lift the parts to be inserted and throw them into the proper fold as the paper comes off the press. This will revolutionize one phase of newspaper pub-

The cook in the kitchen has to watch her turkey or roast with tender care. She must open the oven just so often and baste, and turn around, and fuss until the turkey or roast responds to the fork test. Some of these days some one will invent a self-basting and cooking thing for turkeys and roasts that will automatically turn off the gas when the turkey or roast is exactly done.

costs a great fortune to use it twenty times.

Some of these days some one will invent a projectile that will fly twelve and one-half miles, then turn around, return to the start-indices, the start-indices are returned to the start-indices, the start-indices are return to the start-indices, the start-indices are return to the start-indices, the start-indices are return to the s ing point and dismount the battery that way of aerial and submarine branches?

Here are three opportunities for inventors, and of the three, we rather like the fantastic possibilities for good suggested in the last.

Suspense

one of the worst features of punishment de- a successor or release him from bond. ferred. The punishment itself, when it Utah isn't alone in this difficulty. A small comes, isn't half as bad as it seemed, just post-office, acting as distributing agent to as all our troubles in life boil down to rela- rural free delivery routes, finds itself loaded.

Certainly, on this side of the water, several he is doing about twice as much work for thousand miles away, and with little direct the same money, and in many cases putting interest in the matter, we who read daily on an extra horse and wagon at his own that Zeppeiin is arranging an aerial attack expense. with a fleet of from forty to 100 dirigibles feel some of it. Then what must be the suspense on the actual ground, in the path of the threatened invasion? Add to this Zeppelin extra appropriations to meet increased cost. threat the talk of that marvelous gun that of the postmaster or route man. But it does will throw a devastating projectile twentyfive miles across the channel, and the English
the government to fairly remunerate the

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will not be disturbed by British and French people have enough to spoil their appetites.

will never materialize and the twenty-five- the contract. mile gun will never assault. It even may Some of these days Uncle Sam will have be that before the scheduled attacks peace to face the problem fairly and squarely, and steps will be taken. And it may be that the it might as well be at once. If the bonded count and the gunmaker are only holding rural free delivery man is going to be loaded conversation with their dream friends. And down with extra work with no extra comret, remembering that the warlike Bernhardi pensation, and especially if that loading reforetold just what the German submarines quires extra rolling stock and horse flesh at

situation is not such a pleasant one. Aren't the English people wishing that to say the least, that is a case of "rubbing Zeppelin and the gunmaker would come on it in. and do it, and have it over with?

What Is the German Plan?

New York World, "tempted the Ger- to be heated." If the dean should ever find man ambassador to raise the issue of the Monroe Doctrine and assert Germany's right

Nobody knows, of course, save Count von Bernstorff and those exceedingly acute gentlemen of the German Foreign Office who

For weeks the censors in Germany have been permitting the dispatch of telegrams to the effect that the Kaiser contemplated the 1888 immediate invasion of England; that a great fleet of Zeppelins and other aerial craft was being collected to assist this purpose, and that the Krupp works at Essen were turning out new and even more dreadful siege guns, capable of sending their shells across the channel.

Of course, all this was ridiculous. So long as the British fleet is in existence, Germany will no more contemplate seriously the invasion of England than she will the invasion of Mars-and one would not be much less difficult than the other. Moreover, if the plan actually were being considered, no hint or intimation of it would ever be permitted to get beyond the German frontier until the transports were ready to sail.

Whether the British War Office has been impressed by these threats is uncertain, but there can be no uncertainty that the British populace has been sufficiently wrought up. Sunday only 5 ceuts Britain into keeping its levies at home, instead of sending them to France? In the meantime, the German armies might batter France into submission.

And if this be the correct theory as to the rumors of an invasion of England, may not Count von Bernstorff's talk of an invasion of Canada be ascribed to a similar purpose? Is it not worth while to frighten Canada as well as the mother country?

It is difficult to find any other reasonable explanation. The German ambassador is not a child, nor an intellectual weakling, but one of the ablest and most astute members of the Kaiser's diplomatic corps. When he talks it is for a purpose-not merely for the meeting last week, refused the plea of pleasure he derives from his own vocal utter-Richmond women for permission to hold the ances. He understands as well as another that threats to invade Canada would increase this country's resentment against Germany, that this action would meet with strong and would not, without sufficient reason or public disapproval, and that the board, after promise of profit, indulge in such public fulminations.

The fact is, Germany is at the climax of ner war strength. In three months of war she has failed to carry out the plan of bringing France to her knees, on which the empire's whole military policy was based. Germany must conquer quickly or not at all, and to conquer she must take her foes in order. If she can discourage Britain from extending further assistance in France, her task will be simplified to that extent.

Getting on Guard

Gardner, of Massachusetts, who intends to push his resolution for an investigation of our army and navy equipment for defense. Such an investigation would not be necessary in a country constantly on the alert, neighbors desirous of territorial expansion or able to force it, no matter how eager, we here. have taken things for granted, and have not

faced the need. Now, however, with the German ambassador declaring that Germany would be trict, enveloped in the dust and din of the conjustified in attacking Canada on our north justified in attacking Canada on our north, of the citadel, with the drawbridge lowered to ruffians of Mexico on the south and predicting mention in Editor Bertha Robinson's Crange trouble in that direction, and with the growing problems of maintaining our neutrality without sacrificing or impairing self-respect, pliment Secretary Forward, because it will it is about time to know what we have-

not for use, but as a matter of information. In what shape would this country be to take a strong stand in Mexico, preserve order on our northern borders and hold our possessions in the Pacific, should this triple she says of aim: "Milton Fling is a candidate demand come at any time? Supposing we for Congress in this district, but after Novemare not now in the best possible shape for her 3d, his name will be changed to Milton A projectile has just been invented that trict, how leng would it require to prepare? defense or aggression in our policing dis- Flung. will go twenty-five miles through the air, With the utmost possible patriotism that

The first two inventions will help a lot. in times of peace. The country should take pers are giving voice unusually early this year. The third one mentioned, if it will apply to some stock of its equipment. It could do has not reached Danville. The Register, which

Rubbing It In

job. He doesn't like it. Running a store, the THERE isn't a boy in Christendom who increase in mail matter under parcel post wouldn't rather take his whipping at distribution has forced him to put his own once than know that it was coming and he goods outside to make room for the mail. would get it some time within the next few He can't handle the business with profit, days. Suspense, the agony of waiting, is and the government has declined to appoint

tively little when we stop worrying about down with business that is half parcel post, and actually encounter them.

and the route driver, under bond at a conceptual contraband. But be-There must be a lot of suspense in London. tract price to handle the mail, discovers that

The Post-Office Department, in common will throw a devastating projectile twenty- seem unfair that no provision should be made bonded servant caught with extra burdens It may be, after all, that the aerial fleet which were not contemplated when he took

were going to do and have partially done, the the carrier's expense, and if the government is going to allow him nothing for it-well,

> Dean Shaller Mathews, of the University of Chicago, refers to Baptist deacons as "firehimself in a deacons' convention, he might find occasion to revise his judgment.

Nothing has been heard recently of the every Russian troops that were sent from Archangel through Great Britain to France, but Ger-

SONGS AND SAWS

Why the Dust?
"Oh, why this cloud of dust and dirt?"
The wondering visitor inquired.
"That's not enough," he heard, "to hurt-

Resides, our Street Department's tired.
In Richmond dust's an institution
And we don't mind the street's pollution." The Pessimist Says: This is not such bad weather, and the tang and snap in the air are far from unpleasant— but why doesn't somebody invent ederless moth-



balls?

Interference.

She—Do you think we'll and catch the train?
He—We may, but if we do the it will not be the fault of the a time.

Very Dry. "Just how did Hal Flood cast his vote?" We hear the anxious people ery. Anon we hear Hal's clarion note: "Who? Me? You bet I voted 'dry."

Nearty So.
Stubbs—Do you really believe this butler you sent me is honest?
Grubbs—Well, reasonably honest, but whenever he's around you had better hold your breath. He might run away with it.

Uncle Zuch's Philosophy Wenebber yoh see er cullud pusson come sidlin down de rond, wid he haid on one side and fedders stickin outer his back pocket, dar's gwine ter be chiecken fer dinnah at dat man's

house de nex day.

Elevators and Hats. Freshleigh-De you think a gentleman should take off his hat in an elevator when ladies are present?

Miss O'Type (with emphasis and biting sarcasm)-I never knew a gentleman who would think of doing anything else.

It Pays. There was a man in our town
And he was wondrous wise—
He took this for his wisdom's crown: "It pays to advertise."
For broadcloth coat and velvet gown
Folks thronged unto his store,
And while he salted shekels down He'd advertise some mo THE TATTLER.

Chats With Virginia Editors

The editor of the Covington Virginian, who is comparatively fresh from sophisticated circles in Kentucky, remarks, cynically: "Our good old friend, the editor of the Clifton Forge 'Rye-View,' tells the highwayman editor The T.-D, that he wouldn't know 'a bob-tailed THERE is not a little sympathy through- straight if he met it in the middle of the road." I out the country with Representative The species is regarded as not entitled to recognition hereabouts.

The galled jade winces. This is from the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot: "Anything called a joint, says The Times-Dispatch, is peculiarly alluring in Norfolk. Particularly to visitors but in our continued security, with no near from Richmond." Natural curiosity, if the V.-P. speaks advisedly. Nothing like that on view

While Governor Stuart is battling for Democracy on the firing line in the Ninth Digspan the moat, and receives complimentary Observer to this effect: "Dear Governor Stuart says that it will never do in the world to comturn his head. Well, we just can't help that! We are bound to say that he is too handsome In what shape would this country be to and nice for anything!" Perhaps it is Alex-

"It would be a shame to allow the trees of but the gun lives only twenty shots, and it could raise a volunteer army of 500,000 with Norfolk to be destroyed by the San Jose scale costs a great fortune to use it twenty times.

The "Do Your Christmas Shopping Now" ex-These are pertinent inquiries, and would be hortation, to which some of the Virginia paall bullets, projectiles, shells and torpedoes, will be a great argument in favor of peace. Some stock of its equipment. It could do is less excited about it, thus enjoins its readers: benefit. that Christmas is but sixty days in the future. and that it is high time now to begin to accumulate the funds with which to make Christ-THE postmaster at Colton, Utah, has retainted a lawyer to help him quit his obviously no friend of the credit system. The Register

Current Editorial Comment

Sir Edward Grey's announcement that English cruisers will to Growers of Cotton.

not interfere with shipments of cotton is no particular concession so far as the principle involved is concerned. It would require a

youd that the British mills will want to buy our cotton nearly as much as our cotton roisers will want to sell it. Of Great Britain's consumption in late years about four-fifths came from the United States. It is by no means im-possible that by the time the war is over the possible that by the time the war is over the demand from Great Britain and France may Neutral vessels laden with cotton to neutral ports will not be interfered with. British and cruisers. The German commerce destroyers may try to reach them; but in doing so they must come into the more traveled parts of the Atlantic and increase their chances of capture. With the comparative safety of the North Atlantic and the entire safety of neutral vessels, the movement of cotton should increase from its present low level to something in the vicinity of normal.-Pittsburgh Dispatch.

James W. Gerard, United States American
Diplomats
Triumph.

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with the grand Whitlock, U should be proud. The humani-tarian diplomacy which they have exercised is tarian diplomacy which they have exercised is without adequate precedent, just as the conditions of the present European war are without precedent. Belgians by hundreds of thousands are on the point of starvation. Food cannot come in by water, because German, ships are in the way. Germany professes anxiety to prevent the starvation, but pleads lack of supplies herself. Whitlock cuts the Gordian knot. He calls in Gerard's assistance and asks Berlin to grant in Gerard's assistance and asks Berlin to grant safe conduct for foods from England, sent to Belgium. The Kalser consents, on condition that every bag of grain be sealed by the American consulate in London, and go only to Belgium. Then through a relief committee. Whitlock succeeds in arranging the nurchous in Kalsen. themen of the German Foreign Office who direct his utterances, but there are a good many reasons to suspect that this is just a part of a campaign that has been in operation for several weeks—a campaign of chicane, of terrorism, waged, not by arms, but by speech and vague insinuation, defered the direct his utterances, but there are a good many reasons to suspect that this is just a part of Europe.

Colonel Roosevelt, who in the last year has the newspapers to the last, promises to dispend and vague insinuation, defered this utterances, but there are a good many reasons to suspect that this is just a part of Europe.

Colonel Roosevelt, who in the last year has the newspapers to the last, promises to dispend and for having the food shipped at once. Gerard's tact has made the plan feasible. Credit is due to him. And he has undered the plan feasible. Credit is due to him. And he has now that the newspapers of war's disturbances, of which he may be equally at all. "The Madeira Islands," "The Flowers of Life," "Shanty persons and all British subjects over fifty-five years of age or under sixteen years return to credited to him in the lists. eeds in arranging the purchase, in England,

their respective countries. That will mean much to noncombatants caught in Germany when war was declared. We take our hats off to Gerard and Whitlock. They stand for the very highest expression of what is best in Americanism.— Brooklyn Eagle.

"What Was I Crying "Already there is talk of peace. Thousands of lives have been destroyed, millions of dollars of I Crying About?" property wiped out, and great are

About?"

property wiped out, and great art trensures lost to the world; and yet in no sense is anything settled. The fact is, there seems to be nothing to settle. The little fellow suddenly stopped crying and asked, "Mamma, what was I crying about?" Contending nations may well ask why they are fighting. Some one has likened the present situation to a poker game with all the European countries "sittin" in." Some one accused another of cheating, hands went to hip-pockets another of cheating, hands went to hip-pockets and the melee commenced. Innocent bystanders, the United States among them, have suffered, it will not be the fault of the styles in woman's dress, which keep you from stepping more than six inches at a time. are two invisible elements that must be forever crushed—imperialism that thwarts the will of the common people, and militarism that nurtures unrest and engenders war. Whichever party wins in the frightful contest, these two products of hell must be destroyed, and if President Wilson can be a factor in bringing to pass such a culmination of the cataclysmic disturbances, he will require no further credential for an imperishable name—Northwestern Christian Admerishable name—Northwestern Christian Admerishable name perishable name.—Northwestern Christian Ad-

War News Fifty Years Ago (From the Richmond Dispatch, Oct. 28, 1864.

Night before last the enemy threw across to the north side of James River at Deep Bottom a heavy column of troops, numbering from 15,000 to 20,000, some say 30,000. About 2 o'clock yesterday morning a general activity was manifested along the enemy's entire front on the north side, and shortly after they made a demon-

north side, and shortly after they made a demonstration in force against our extreme left on the Charles City Road, four miles below this city. The Confederates opened on them with artillery at long range. The Federal skirmishers continued to advance, and from time to time were driven back, but each time they renewed the attack. Later in the day the enemy made a show of advance on our whole from line but a show of advance on our whole from line but the attack. Later in the day the enemy made a show of advance on our whole front line, but a show of advance checked and repulsed by the were everywhere checked and repulsed by the artillery and skirmlshers. At nightfall the Federals ceased their attacks.

The advices from Petersburg yesterday The advices from Petersburg yesterday wagie and very unsatisfactory, coming all gether by excited passengers who came over on the evening train. These reported that a severe battle was fought yesterday on the Boydton Plank Road, seven miles southwest of Petersburg, that the enemy several times attacked our intrenchments, but were each time repulsed with heavy losses. These reports lack confirmation. onfirmation.

One piece of said news from Petersburg that One piece of sad news from Petersburg that has been confirmed is that Brigadier-General Dearing, of the Confederate cavalry, was killed in the aghting yesterday. General Dearing was a cadet army, perhaps the very youngest general, being only twenty-two years of age. He was a cadet at West Point, but made his way South and enlisted in the artillery. His conspicuous bravery caused his rapid promotion, and a few months ago he became a brigadier in the cavalry arm of the service. General Dearing was from

rac schedule of prices adopted by the Virginia commissioners in which the farmers are most interested includes the following: wheat, \$7 per bushel; flour, \$33 to \$42 per barrel; corn, \$5 per bushel; meal, \$5.20; peas and beans, \$5 per bushel. Considering the great scarcity of Confederate money, these figures are remarkably liberal to the farmers.

The Voice of the People

for women?

She speaks of "the lesser sacrifices in the finer courtesies of life." Her eyes are holden that she does not see that these are the lot only of the privileged woman. What of those women who get neither privileges, protecting care or equal opportunities?

She remarks the "rights of men and the privileges of women cannot long exist together." House she not know that the rights of women do exist together in other parts of the world where women vote? This fact has passed into history. I would say to "Virginia Woman" "go and see." It is not far away. For in ten States wor en have full suffrage, and in thirty-one they have partial suffrage. Virginia will soon catch up!

ANOTHER VIRGINIA WOMAN.

Cotton spinners at Manchester were much degrand upon her ability to crush her several opponents before all of them har several opponents before all of them her several opponents before all opponents before all of them her several opponents before all of them her several opponents before all opponents before all of them her several opponents all oppon

ANOTHER VIRGINIA WOMÂN. Richmond, October 27, 1914.

Queries and Answers

Picase tell me where I may buy peanut oil MRS, M, L. G. We do not give trade addresses. Your druggist can inform you, or we shall be glad to send the information if you will send stamped and addressed envelope for it.

Curle's Neck.

Please tell me the size of the Curle's Neck MRS, G.

A "PLACE IN THE SUN"

Moral and Military Forces in Flanders

enlisted in the artillery. His conspicuous exercise's decisive influence upon the bravery caused his rapid promotion, and a few months ago he became a brigadier in the cavalty arm of the service. General Dearing was from Campbell County, Va.

A telegram was received last night from Chaffin's Elluff saying the enemy was regulated in quite a severe fight on the Williamsburg Road yesterday. Four, stands of colors and 200 prisoners were captured. No other particulars of the fight were received.

Last Wednesday Colonel Mosby attacked a heavily guarded supply train on the road between Winchester and Martinsburg. A lively fight ensued, but, finding that the train was guarded by a force greatly superior to his, the train, as was his intention.

General Dick Taylor has assumed command of General S. Lee's corps in Hood's army. General Earth State of Tennessee shall have a fair presidential election or none at all. Just what he means by this is hard to conflecture.

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and the British ficet disposed of it is outside of the question to speculate on the invasion of England. On the other hand, even if the affice

The Richmond Theatre will be opened again to-night, the play being "Richard III." E. R. Dalton will appear as the Duke of Gloster, afterwards Richard III.

On the other hand, even if the allies should press their operations successfully and drive the Germans from the west, there is every present prospect that, now that Antwerp has fallen and Ghent been occupied, the Germans would be able to maintain themselves

from Antwerp to Valenciennes quite as successfully as they have along the Aisne.

Bear in mind, also, that from the general to the private, this same idea has been held—that to win Germany must promptly crush France, take Paris, hold the Republic as hostage. Paris, hold the Republic as hostage, and have inspired efforts to effect direct business relations between the general to the Paris, hold the Republic as hostage. Paris, hold the Republic as hostage, and have inspired efforts to effect direct business relations between the general to the Republic as hostage. Paris, hold the Republic as hostage, and have inspired efforts to effect direct business relations between the graph must promptly crush France, take the graph must promptly crush France, the graph must promptly crush France, In the next few days the German armies fell back until they stood some seventy miles behind their that Immediate success was in view.

But the Paris campaign ended on September 7. In the next few days the German armies fell back until they stood some seventy miles behind their stood some seventy miles behind their stood some seventy miles behind their family that such a plan might be desirable, say it would require a long time to handle cotton direct, because of the great amount of machinery required to take care of it properly and the necessity for the careful grading which Liverpool dealers have afforded. Speaking of the careful grading which Liverpool dealers have afforded. Speaking of the proposed elimination the cotton manufacturing centros, while the necessity for the desirable, say it would require a long time to handle cotton direct, because of the great amount of machinery required to take care of it properly and the necessity for the careful grading which Liverpool dealers have afforded. Speaking of the proposed elimination the law careful prop

Reading dispatches which reflect the holding army corps in check, and havofficial views in Paris, in London, in ling freed these troops undertook a final offensive in the extreme west. This was on October 10. But on October 26 they have not yet succeeded in

with equal numbers. But the pace plainly cannot be maintained through many months more. It may be doubted many months more. It may be doubted if Germany can ever again muster more men on her battle lines than she has now. There is no question but that England, Russia and probably France will have more troops in the field in April than they have now in October.

Plight of Cotton Growers

The Voice of the People

Suys Anti-Suffragist Misunderstands.

To the Editor of The Times-Dispatch:
Sir,—The letter headed "Anti-Suffragist Speaks" might have been better headed "Anti-Suffragist Speaks" in the German might have been better headed "Anti-Suffragist Speaks" in the form those men of antisident man, must in a relatively short time should then be fortheoming in suffragists wish to "change these charges that suffragists wish to "change these charges that suffragists wish to "change these charges that suffragists wish to "change the better headed" have a suffagist wish have resistently mish have resistently mis